## § 265.223

#### §265.223 Containment system.

All earthen dikes must have a protective cover, such as grass, shale, or rock, to minimize wind and water erosion and to preserve their structural integrity.

### § 265.224 Response actions.

- (a) The owner or operator of surface impoundment units subject to §265.221(a) must develop and keep on site until closure of the facility a response action plan. The response action plan must set forth the actions to be taken if the action leakage rate has been exceeded. At a minimum, the response action plan must describe the actions specified in paragraph (b) of this section.
- (b) If the flow rate into the leak detection system exceeds the action leakage rate for any sump, the owner or operator must:
- (1) Notify the Regional Administrator in writing of the exceedance within 7 days of the determination;
- (2) Submit a preliminary written assessment to the Regional Administrator within 14 days of the determination, as to the amount of liquids, likely sources of liquids, possible location, size, and cause of any leaks, and short-term actions taken and planned:
- (3) Determine to the extent practicable the location, size, and cause of any leak;
- (4) Determine whether waste receipt should cease or be curtailed, whether any waste should be removed from the unit for inspection, repairs, or controls, and whether or not the unit should be closed;
- (5) Determine any other short-term and longer-term actions to be taken to mitigate or stop any leaks; and
- (6) Within 30 days after the notification that the action leakage rate has been exceeded, submit to the Regional Administrator the results of the analyses specified in paragraphs (b)(3), (4), and (5) of this section, the results of actions taken, and actions planned. Monthly thereafter, as long as the flow rate in the leak detection system exceeds the action leakage rate, the owner or operator must submit to the Regional Administrator a report summarizing the results of any remedial actions taken and actions planned.

- (c) To make the leak and/or remediation determinations in paragraphs (b)(3), (4), and (5) of this section, the owner or operator must:
- (1)(i) Assess the source of liquids and amounts of liquids by source,
- (ii) Conduct a fingerprint, hazardous constituent, or other analyses of the liquids in the leak detection system to identify the source of liquids and possible location of any leaks, and the hazard and mobility of the liquid; and
- (iii) Assess the seriousness of any leaks in terms of potential for escaping into the environment; or
- (2) Document why such assessments are not needed.

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#### § 265.225 Waste analysis and trial tests.

- (a) In addition to the waste analyses required by §265.13, whenever a surface impoundment is to be used to:
- (1) Chemically treat a hazardous waste which is substantially different from waste previously treated in that impoundment; or
- (2) Chemically treat hazardous waste with a substantially different process than any previously used in that impoundment; the owner or operator must, before treating the different waste or using the different process:
- (i) Conduct waste analyses and trial treatment tests (e.g., bench scale or pilot plant scale tests); or
- (ii) Obtain written, documented information on similar treatment of similar waste under similar operating conditions; to show that this treatment will comply with §265.17(b).

[Comment: As required by §265.13, the waste analysis plan must include analyses needed to comply with §§265.229 and 265.230. As required by §265.73, the owner or operator must place the results from each waste analysis and trial test, or the documented information, in the operating record of the facility.]

(b) [Reserved]

# § 265.226 Monitoring and inspection.

- (a) The owner or operator must inspect:
- (1) The freeboard level at least once each operating day to ensure compliance with §265.222, and